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SUPERVISOR, FIRST DISTRICT  
SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Mr. Ernie Limon  
SVP Release/SAFE Task Force  
9425 Chesapeake Drive  
San Diego, CA 92123

Dear Mr. Limon,

As the member of the Board of Supervisors who represents South San Diego County, I am shocked and troubled by the State Department of Mental Health's recommendation to place Sexually Violent Predator (SVP) Douglas Badger at 480 Alta Road in the community of Otay Mesa. Like most of the public, I firmly believe that the proper housing for these violent and mentally disturbed repeat criminals is in state custody.

Last year, for lack of a better option, that very same location in South County was chosen as the placement for one Sexually Violent Predator, Matthew Hedge. As you well know current State law gives the County of San Diego no choice but to accept the release of these predators into our community. I understand and accept the reasoning that led to the decision to place Mr. Hedge at the site on prison grounds. However in a region as large as ours, South County and this site in particular should not be considered as an "automatic" or "preferred" location for the release of SVPs.

South County has already accepted our fair share of SVPs. The community has suffered the outrage, helplessness, and fear from the placement of one SVP in Otay Mesa. It is unfair to burden South County families and neighborhoods repeatedly by singling out this location to accept another SVP, Douglas Badger. We deserve more than to be seen as a dumping ground for all SVPs. Simply stated, one was enough.

For this reason, I implore you to take all options in the region into consideration for the placement of these criminals, not solely Otay Mesa. Should you wish to discuss this issue in more detail, please feel free to contact me at (619) 531-5511.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Cox". The signature is stylized, with the first letters of the first and last names being large and prominent.

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